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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJ: SPAIN

1. LUNS TOLD AMBASSADOR NOVEMBER 17 THAT, IN  
RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH LUNS, SPANISH AMBASSADOR  
TO BELGIUM, THE MARQUIS DE NERVA, HAD CONVEYED THE  
FOLLOWING:

A. IN RESPONSE TO LUNS' EARLIER INDICATION TO  
DE NERVA THAT THE US HAD BRIEFED THE ALLIES ON ITS  
FUTURE POSTURE TOWARD SPAIN, WHICH LUNS APPLAUDED,  
DE NERVA REPORTED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WERE PLEASED  
BY THE US INITIATIVE. DE NERVA ALSO  
WELCOMED LUNS' REPORT THAT THE US HAD REEMPHASIZED  
ITS INTEREST IN SPANISH ACCESSION TO NATO.

B. BASED ON LATEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO DE  
NERVA, THE FOLLOWING ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND JUAN  
CARLOS' ACCESSION CEREMONIES IN MADRID: PRINCE  
ALBERT OF BELGIUM, ACCOMPANIED BY A HIGH-LEVEL  
DELEGATION INCLUDING DAVIGNON; THE DUKE OF KENT;  
AND PERHAPS GISCARD. LUNS BELIEVED THAT US EFFORTS  
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HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE IN PART FOR ALLIED DECISIONS  
TO RAISE LEVELS OF REPRESENTATION.

C. WITH REGARD TO TRENDS TOWARD DEMOCRATIZATION IN

SPAIN, DE NERVA SAID THE SPANISH INTEND  
TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING MEASURES AFTER  
JUAN CARLOS' ACCESSION: LAWS RECENTLY  
ADOPTED ON TERRORISM WILL BE ABOLISHED; ALL POLITICAL  
PARTIES EXCEPT THE COMMUNISTS WILL BE RECOGNIZED;  
AND DISPOSITIONS WILL BE TAKEN SO THAT CIVILIANS  
WILL BE TRIED IN CIVIL RATHER THAN MILITARY COURTS.

2. LUNS ALSO REPORTED THAT HE HAD URGED DE NERVA TO  
CONVEY LUNS' VIEW THAT SPAIN SHOULD  
ENHANCE ITS RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, WHOSE  
LEADERS' TIES TO SOCIALIST PARTIES IN  
WESTERN EUROPE COULD BE HELPFUL AS SPAIN ATTEMPTED  
TO CHART A NEW COURSE IN FOREIGN RELATIONS.  
LUNS PLANNED TO FOLLOW UP HIS DISCUSSION  
WITH DE NERVA IN A CONVERSATION HE WOULD BE HAVING  
WITH ISRAELI FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON AT A DINNER BEING GIVEN  
BY THE LATTER NOVEMBER 17. BRUCE

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